Land Acquisition Collectors, Delhi, are not directly paid by the Ministry of Law. The Offices of the Land Acquisition Collectors forward the bills to the Ministry of Law for verification. After verification, the bills are returned to the Offices of Land Acquisition Collectors for payment directly to the Counsels. Any complaint received in this regard is also forwarded to the Offices of the Land Acquisition Collectors or Delhi Administration (under whose jurisdiction these offices fall) for taking necessary action.

Complaints from Government Counsels regarding filing Regular First Appeals in High Court

2511. SHRI JERLIE E. TARIANG: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received complaints from the Central Government Counsels/pleaders of Delhi High Court that the Office of the Land Acquisition Collectors is sending the briefs for filing Regular First Appeals in High Court after the expiry of period of limitation prescribed for filing Appeals.

(b) what action has been taken by Government for avoiding the delay in filing of the Regular First Appeals arising out of the judgements of Additional District Judge in Land Acquisition cases; and

(c) what is the number of Regular First Appeals filed after the expiry of period of limitations, in Delhi High Court arising out of the Land Acquisition judgements of Additional District Judge, Delhi for the last three years and what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ): (a) The Central Government Counsels/ Pleaders in the Delhi High Court have brought to the notice of the Ministry of Law, from time to time, about the delay on the part of the Offices of the Land Acquisition Collectors in sending in briefs for filing Regular First Appeals in the High Court. Some of the briefs are received after the expiry of the period of limitation prescribed for filing Appeal.

(b) The offices of the Land Acquisition Collectors have on several occasions been requested in writing to avoid such delays in the future.

(c) The Ministry of Law does not keep any record of such cases filed after the expiry of the period of limitation.

Refunds of deposits by M/s. Lohia Machine Limited

2512. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of persons who have written to M/s. Lohia Machine Limited, Kanpur for the refund of their deposits made by them for scooters;

(b) whether it is a fact that even after recommendations by some Members of Parliament M/s. Lohia Machine Limited have failed to refund the money;

(c) if so, what are the reasons for not refunding money; and

(d) whether Government propose to take any action against M/s. Lohia Machine Limited to safeguard the interests of depositors?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) The company has reported that the total number of requests for cancellation received upto 31-5-87 are 9,93,983 Nos.